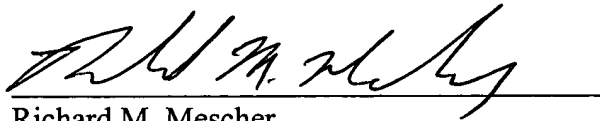


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Inventors: Brian J. Conaway et al.  
Filed: February 27, 2004  
Examiner: Nathan Scott Mammen  
Art Unit: 3671  
For: ADJUSTABLE TINE LEAF RAKE  
Attorney Docket No.: 3984500-149029

Dear Sir:

We have enclosed an Amendment A which is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004, Authorization re Deposit Account (in duplicate) and Certificate of Filing by Mail. We also have enclosed our postcard receipt, which we ask that you acknowledge and return to us.

Very truly yours,

Richard M. Mescher

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Enclosures  
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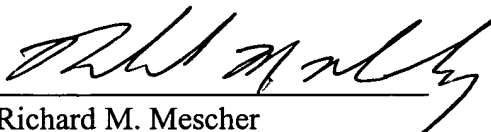
Dear Sir:

Please charge any fees for the above-referenced application to our Deposit Account No. 16-2326.

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**AMENDMENT "A"**

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment "A" is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004.  
Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner and consider the following remarks prior to further examination thereof.